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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Divisional Application of)
Application No. 08/522,917 :
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Application No.: N/Y/A :) Group Art Unit: 2861
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For: INK JET APPARATUS AND :)
WASTE LIQUID ABSORBING :)
METHOD :) October 30, 2000

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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the
International Convention and all rights to which he is
entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon Japanese Priority
Application No. 6-210218, filed September 2, 1994.

A certified copy of the priority document was filed
in parent Application No. 08/522,917 on November 6, 1995.

In addition, a sworn translation of the priority
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order to antedate U.S. Patent No. 5,680,162 (Taylor).



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